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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: FOUR OVAMBOS CHARGED WITH ILLEGAL
POLITICAL ACTIVITIES WIN APPEAL.

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1. IN MAY JOHANNES NANGUTUUALA, LEADER OF POLITICAL
PARTY OPPOSED TO OVAMBO GOVERNMENT, AND SWAPO LEADERS
JOHN OTTO, JIMMY AMPALA AND ANDREAS NUUKWANWO, WERE
ARRESTED AND CHAGED WITH HOLDING ILLEGAL POLITICAL
MEETING. WHEN CASE BROUGHT TO COURT, DEFENSE ATTORNEY
BRIAN O'LINN MOVED THAT CHARGES BE DROPPED BECAUSE
PARTICULARS SUPPLIED BY PROSECUTION WERE SO PREJUDICIAL
THAT HE COULD NOT PREPARE ADEQUATE DEFENSE. LAST WEEK
SWA SUPREME COURT RULED IN FAVOR OF ACCUSED AND ORDERED
MAGISTRATE AT ONDANGUA TO QUASH CHARGES.

2. ALL ARE NOW FREE AND GOVERNMENT HAS MADE NO MOVE
TO REFORMULATE CHARGES AGAINST THEM. HOWEVER, NANGUTUUALA STILL
FACES TRIAL ON CHARGES THAT HE HAD MADE STATEMENTS AIMED AT
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UNDERMINING AUTHORITY OF OVAMBO GOVERNMENT.

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